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1. Second Amendment; Response to Final Office Action dated September 1, 2004; and Request for Extension of Time;
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
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Murphy *et al.*

Serial No.: 10/029,397

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR
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I. SECOND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116; II. RESPONSE
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III. REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Commissioner:

Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered in the captioned patent application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. Applicants submit these amendments to place the case in even better condition for allowance or appeal. Applicants also submit a Notice of Appeal concurrently herewith.

This is a Second Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116. A first Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 was filed on November 4, 2004. However, the first Amendment was not entered, because the Examiner found that it presented additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims. The instant Amendment remedies this issue.

A request for a one-month extension of time to respond is included herewith. This one-month extension will bring the due date to January 1, 2005, which is within the six-month statutory period. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to withdraw the appropriate extension fee, or any other fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/AMBI:076US.

Amendments begin at page 3 of this paper; **Remarks** begin at page 16.

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